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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

(Case No. 00-713-i12)

In re Application of:)	
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Mirkin et al.)	Examiner: Alexander H. Spiegler
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Application No.: 09/975,376)	Art Unit: 1637
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Filing Date: October 11, 2001)	Confirmation No.: 9821
)	
For: Nanoparticles Having Oligonucleotides)	
Attached Thereto and Uses Therefor)	

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office action dated March 16, 2004. A Petition for an extension of time (three months) is attached. Please amend this application as shown below.

The "Amendment to the claims" section begins on page 2.

The "Remarks" section begins on page 8.